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Applicants: Osamu SHIRASAKI et al. Conf.: 2596  
Serial No.: 09/319,202 Art Unit: 1733  
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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING MOLDED ARTICLE OF  
MODIFIED POLYTETRAFLUOROETHYLENE BY  
JOINING

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

January 30, 2002

Sir:

Prior to continued examination, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below, and consider the remarks which follow:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please **rewrite** claims 1-4 as follows:

C1 5/15/02 1. (amended) A method for producing a molded article of a modified polytetrafluoroethylene by joining, comprising the steps of:

providing at least two premolded parts of modified polytetrafluoroethylene having different coefficients of thermal